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TRANSMITTAL OF THE DRAFT CERTIFICATION DESIGN LETTER FOR AREA 9, PHASE II

Enclosed for your review is the draft Certification Design Letter (CDL) for Area 9, Phase II. Area 9, Phase II includes the area south of Area 9, Phase I and east of Area 1, Phase II as well as a small plot of land north of Area 1, Phase I. The portion of Area 9, Phase II north of the Fernald Environmental Management Project (FEMP) is adjacent to the former uranium hot spot area excavated along the south side of State Route 126 on the FEMP property line. The enclosed CDL contains completed pre-certification (real-time) characterization data for the majority of Area 9, Phase II. However, pre-certification efforts have not been completed for the wooded area on the far eastern edge of Area 9, Phase II, which is east of Area 1, Phase II. This wooded area of Area 9, Phase II east of the FEMP has not yet been accessible due first to vegetation growth and now wet soil. The FEMP plans to complete the pre-certification of the wooded portion either later this month or earlier next month. The draft CDL is being submitted to you now in an effort to initiate your review process and thereby expedite the ultimate collection of the certification samples in the plowed portion of Area 9, Phase II east of the FEMP. It is our understanding that this plowed portion of the Area 9, Phase II property will likely be plowed and planted in early April 2003. Once the remaining pre-certification data are collected, the enclosed CDL will either be revised or an addendum added to cover the missing information.

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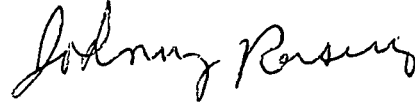
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